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SUBJECT: UN ASSISTANCE TO DISPLACED PERSONS FROM

BURMA IN BANGLADESH

- 1. UN INFORMATION SERVICE GENEVA HAS ISSUED PRESS RELEASE (REF/1338) WHICH, REFERRING TO ABOVE SUBJECT, ANNOUNCES THAT UNHCR POUL HARTLING, IN RESPONSE TO REQUEST FROM BANGLADESH GOVERNMENT TO UNSYG, WOULD AS FIRST STEP ALLOCATE \$500,000 FROM UNHCR EMERGENCY FUND TO PROVIDE HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO PERSONS FROM BURMA NOW IN BANGLADESH.
- 2. IN COMMUNICATION WITH FAO, ILO, WFP, WHO, UNDRO, UNDP, UNESCO AND UNICEF, UN SECRETARY GENERAL STATES THAT BANGLADESH GOVERNMENT ALSO EXPRESSED WISH THAT UN COORDINATE ALL EXTERNAL ASSISTANCE FOR THIS PURPOSE, INCLUDING BI-LATERAL CONTRIBUTIONS. TO THIS END, UNSYG HAS REQUESTED UNHCR HARTLING TO COORDINATE UN RESPONSE. SECRETARY GENERAL AND UNDP CHIEF MORSE WILL BE IN GENEVA OVER COMING WEEKEND TO ATTEND MEETING OF ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE FOR COORDINATION (ACC), DURING WHICH SUBJECT UNCLASSIFIED

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OF BANGLADESH WILL BE ACTIVE TOPIC OF DISCUSSION. UNHCR REPS HAVE ADVISED MISSION THAT THEY EXPECT TO HAVE COORDINATED APPEAL READY FOR PUBLICATION WITHIN COMING WEEK. VANDEN HEUVEL

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